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## Archer Re-elected In Mountain View

The election for councillor in Division 2 of Mountain View Municipality which was held on Saturday last, resulted in the re-election of Councillor W. D. Archer, by a majority of 19 votes. The results were:

W. D. Archer 75  
W. Richards 56

## CURLING NOTES.

It has been decided to challenge for the MacDonald Cup, and Clint Reiber and Bert Fisher have been chosen as skips and they will choose their rivals for the competition.

Frank Kaufman, Dave Edwards, Sam Kreuger and Irwin Klein went to Beiseker Tuesday for a continuation of the bonspiel. They won first place in the grand challenge event.

Jack McCloy, Jim Cathiness, Len Berscht and Lee Sanderman went to Innisfail Wednesday to take part in the one-day bonspiel.

## Masonic Bonspiel

The annual Masonic bonspiel was held on Wednesday last with eight risks competing, the following being the results:

### PRIMARY EVENT

Studer beat Wordie  
Johnson beat Brusso  
Fisher beat Reiber  
Topley beat Dr. Clarke

### SEMI FINAL

Johnson beat Studer  
Topley beat Fisher

### FINAL

Topley beat Johnson

### SECONDARY EVENT

Wordie beat Brusso  
Reiber beat Dr. Clarke

### FINAL

Reiber beat Wordie

## Aid to Russia Fund.

Previously announced \$281.45

A. Chamberlain, sen. 5.00  
A. Chamberlain, jr. 5.00  
Mr & Mrs. W. Davies 10.00  
Grades 4 and 5 2.00  
Ira Stauffer 4.00  
J. H. Hehn 2.00

\$309.45

## Olds School Division Settles Salaries

Chairman W. H. Davies of the Olds school division, announced Saturday that negotiations of teachers' salary schedule for the year 1943-44 had been completed, on the following basis which will be submitted to the rural teachers, with the A. I. A. salary committee's recommendation for ratification:

Normalites \$399, increments of \$50 for years of experience to a maximum of \$1,200 per annum, attained at the beginning of the seventh year of teaching.

Principals of two roomed schools or over, an increase of \$50 a room including the principal's own room.

In cases of teachers of rooms qualifying for high school grants, the rate of salary shall be increased by \$100 a year, and in cases of teachers teaching high school work in rooms which do not qualify for high school grants, the salary shall be increased by \$50.

Special qualifications in general shop and household economics when used for high school credits, \$50.

For a university degree when used for high school work, \$50.

Teachers holding second class certificates or teaching under letter of authority, to get on schedule to a maximum of \$1,100.

It is pointed out that the increments for experience apply on the years of teaching in the Province of Alberta, and are not confined to the present members of the staff.

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## The Red Cross Drive.

The Red Cross Drive for funds got underway Monday and will continue during the month. The objective for Canada is \$10,000,000, more than half of which will be needed to supply food parcels for British and Canadian prisoners of war in all parts of the world. Didsbury's quota has been set at \$3,000.

The whole district has been mapped out and canvassers appointed, each to cover a small territory. The canvasser will be your neighbor and we know he will be well received.

To obtain our objective it will be necessary that donations average \$5.00 or more. But, be your subscription large or small, it cannot be too much.

As the campaign is only just beginning, only a few subscriptions have been reported.

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Verne Wigglesworth 10.00  
Jernian Hawkes 60.00  
John E. Gooder 10.00  
The Burns Family 25.00  
A. Chormerlain 5.00  
Ivan Weber 5.00  
George Law 25.00

## A Few Lines from Overseas.

This week we received the following letter from Sgt. Tom Noble, of the R.C.A.S.C., somewhere in England:

Dear Mr. Gooder,  
Just a few lines to thank you for the paper this last year.

I look forward for the news and there are a few other boys I pass it on to Tom Dobson, Bill Clarke and Felix Boltrott.

I have not seen many of the boys from Didsbury for a long time. The only one I saw lately was one of the Fords, who used to work around Didsbury. I met him in London on New Year's.

There are lots of Canadians and Americans over here now. I do not know what they are going to do but something should happen this spring and, may be, we will be home before next Christmas.

Say hello to all for me. Thanking you again for the paper.

With best regards to all,

TOM.

## The Art of Giving

What shall I give? The old dollar bill, I guess - seems to be a favorite kind of gift or should I double up this time. Two bucks seems to be getting a bit fashionable. We would hate to be out of the Jones' class. Then there is the five and ten class - a bit out of my class, I think. Too much of a splash, and I do hate being in the limelight.

Received a letter from an old friend in Nova Scotia the other day, a widow woman. Lost her man in the Atlantic last war, and one son - a big lad but only 18. Had to follow in his dad's footsteps. Down in the engine room of a freighter, one dark night last October, a torpedo struck and they all went down. "Well," says his mother, "How proud I am for his sake, but I would give all I have just to get him back again."

The mothers of Canada, what they give!

Guess I won't talk any more about giving, I can't measure up to the mothers - but I'll do my darndest! Anyway, it's nobody's business what I give. The sky is the limit.

## Rev. J. M. Fawcett Receives D.D. Degree

Rev. J. M. and Mrs. Fawcett, with their daughters, Dora and Reta Mae, drove to Edmonton on Tuesday to attend the Convocation of St. Stephen's College, at which Mr. Fawcett had conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity (honoris causa).

Mr. Fawcett graduated in Theology from this College thirty years ago this spring.

They were accompanied by Mrs. C. Vogel, whose son, Charles Kenneth Vogel, B.A., graduated in Theology from St. Stephen's College on Tuesday night, and was ordained to the ministry of the United Church of Canada, at a special ordination service in Robertson Church, Edmonton, on Wednesday night.

They are returning from Edmonton on Thursday.

## Silver Wedding Anniversary

On Monday evening a number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Cowitz to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. W. Novakovich on their silver wedding anniversary.

A very pleasant evening was spent playing games and contests. A beautiful multi-light supper was served after which the guests of honor were presented with a set of dishes from those present, also a large mirror and a bed throw from their children.

Mr. and Mrs. Novakovich expressed sincere appreciation to their friends and family for the kind remembrances.

## Oats Quota Raised

It has been announced this week that the delivery quota on oats has been raised to 30 bushels per acre. Quotas on other grains remain the same: Wheat 14 bushels, barley and rye 20 bushels per acre.

## 2,655 Ration Books Distributed Here

The closing day of issuing ration books last Saturday was quiet, and the anticipated rush did not materialize.

Apparently almost all of the people had attended to getting their No. 2 ration books during the week. Under the direction of Mr. C. E. Reiber with the plentiful and efficient help of the ladies of the I.O.-D.E. and the school teachers, the work was carried out expeditiously and at no time was there very great rush.

During the week, 2,655 ration books were issued, and it is interesting to note that 621 children's books, with tea and coffee coupons detached, were among those issued.

Mr. Reiber and his whole staff are to be complimented on their excellent work and deserve the thanks of the community for all their work was entirely gratuitous. Not one of them despite rumours to the contrary, received any pay whatsoever.

Ration books were distributed by the postmasters at Westcott, Elkton and Bergen.

It is reported that over half a million dollars was saved the Dominion by the public spirited workers who distributed the ration books.

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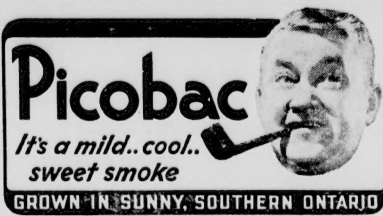
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## Canada Fights Inflation

WHILE INCREASED taxes and restriction of the supply of civilian goods have brought inconvenient economic aspects of the war forcibly home to the people of Canada, we have so far avoided inflation, an evil that in the past has always accompanied a war. Inflation involves a series of rapid rises in prices and wages which ultimately results in economic chaos. Through increased taxation, restriction of production of civilian goods and control of prices and wages, inflation has been prevented from affecting us here. However, as the amount of goods available to the civilian population becomes more and more scarce there is a strong tendency for prices to rise and great pressure is brought to bear against the price ceiling. It is in the interest of all of us at this time to endeavor to keep our wartime economic system as stable as possible and to condemn any practices which may lead to inflation.

### Cost Of Living Increase Small

The cost of living in Canada has risen very slightly considering the fact that we are at war. Mr. J. A. McLeod, president of the Bank of Nova Scotia, gave some interesting figures regarding living costs at the recent annual meeting of the shareholders of the bank. This included the fact that between November 1, 1911, which was the "high point" prior to the imposition of the price ceiling, to December 1, 1942, the rise in the cost of living was only a little more than 2%. In the United States during the same period, the rise was nearly 10%, and in the corresponding time during the last war the rise in the cost of living in Canada was 20%. More recent figures reveal that in January of this year there was a slight decrease in the cost of living index, due largely to the reduction in price of certain staple foods in December.

### Further Price Control Likely

Although heavy taxation, and restriction of civilian buying causes personal inconvenience to many, this is infinitely preferable to the economic upheaval caused by inflation. Hon. J. L. Baley, Minister of Finance, in a recent address before the Ontario Federation of Agriculture made this clear from the point of view of the farmer. While agriculture might benefit for a while, if the prices of farm products were allowed to rise, the minister said, the prices of goods which farmers must buy would also rise, perhaps even more rapidly, and the farmers would suffer greatly in the ultimate economic collapse. If our present financial stability is to be maintained we are told that we must expect to have further restrictions placed on civilian purchasing power. This is not an altogether pleasant outlook, but it is all part of the determination of the people of Canada to put all our available resources into the winning of the war, and to have a firm basis on which to rebuild after victory is achieved.



HEALTH LEAGUE OF CANADA  
OATMEAL IS A SUPER FOOD  
Wartime shortages and restrictions bid fair to give oatmeal the place it really deserves in the Canadian diet. This humble cereal is always highly recommended by nutritionists for its valuable content of iron and the B vitamins. There is and will be no shortage of oatmeal in this country and it should become a staple food in every Canadian home. It can be used in many ways and should not be thought of solely as a breakfast cereal. Oatmeal porridge, every day might not be regarded with fever, why not try an oatmeal pudding on one of your meatless days? It is delicious, nourishing and has good "staying" qualities.

Here is a recipe that is easy to make. Children and grown-ups both will like it.

#### SIMPLE FRUIT PUDDING

- 1 cup quick cooking oats
- 1 cup raisins or currants
- 2 tbsp. brown sugar or honey
- 1 cup buttermilk or thick milk
- 1 tsp. of baking soda

To make thick milk (if you can't get buttermilk), put 1 teaspoonful of vinegar in 1 cup of whole milk and let it sit in a warm place until it sours and thickens.

#### Method

1. Dissolve the soda in the sour milk.
2. Mix all the other ingredients together in the top of a double boiler. If you can't get raisins or currants use peel.
3. Add the milk to the mixture and stir until smooth.
4. Cook over boiling water for one hour. Serve with cream or sauce. This will serve 4 to 6 people.

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## BACKACHE? Look out for Trouble With Your KIDNEYS

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### A Drastic Order

Nazis Put Ban On All Business Not Absolutely Essential

The German radio broadcast official orders closing a long list of non-essential businesses under economic ministry's austerity decrees. "All trade enterprises which are not absolutely essential for supplying the population will be closed down," it was announced.

Food, coal and agricultural enterprises were exempted, but furniture making, book publishing and tobacco manufacture were restricted sharply.

"Shops selling luxury porcelain, gold and silver goods, stamper or even sweets, which cannot be justified, will be closed," the broadcast said.

## SWINE DISEASES

Common Mange Caused By A Parasite  
Diarrhoea Or Scours

The second of a series of six articles by J. L. Miller, V.S., pres. Animal Veterinarian, dealing with the more serious hog diseases. The remaining articles will appear weekly in the following order: Enteric, Erysipelae, Worms, Anemia, Scurvy, Cholera, Typhoid, Infectious Hemorrhagic Septicemia and Hog Typhoid.

Sarceptic or common mange of hogs is a contagious disease caused by a small almost invisible parasite known as a mange mite. These mites live in the skin of infected swine, and when mange is once established in a herd it spreads rapidly and is the cause of heavy losses to swine producers.

Mange is quite prevalent in parts of the United States and not uncommon in this province. Swine suffering from mange are dirty, lack vitality and are very susceptible to other outbreaks of disease.

The mange mites spend their entire life on the host animal. They burrow in the deep layers of the skin, and unlike lice, are not found on the surface of the body. The mites penetrate through the outer layers of the skin, and excavate burrows where their eggs are laid. These eggs hatch in from three to ten days and the young mites reach maturity in from ten to twelve days, when they begin to lay eggs.

Symptoms: Sarceptic mange of hogs may start on any part of the body but in the early stages the disease usually makes its appearance on the head, around the eyes, nose or ears. From these areas it spreads over the neck and shoulders and along the back and sides, finally involving the entire body.

In the early stages small pimples or scabs develop on any part of the body. As the mites increase in number larger areas become involved. The hair stands erect and finally falls out or is rubbed off. The affected areas of skin now take on a dry scurfy or leather-like appearance, and in some cases deep cracks in the surface of the skin may be noticed. Intense itching causes the animal to rub and scratch, and the affected parts become raw and sore. An offensive odor is frequently noticed in old chronic cases.

The diagnosis of mange can be confirmed by scraping the affected area with a dull knife until the blood flows, and sending these scrapings to a laboratory for examination for the presence of mange mites.

Mange is more common and spreads more rapidly during the winter months when hogs are closely confined. It is spread chiefly by direct contact with infected animals. Pigs, however, may contract the disease when they are placed in houses or pens previously occupied by infected swine.

Treatment: The treatments for mange have been many and varied. The cheapest and most effective treatment is the application of crude petroleum. Used crank case oil is a good substitute. Where this oil is found to be too heavy for easy application it can be thinned down by the addition of kerosene or distillate, one gallon to ten of crank case oil. The most effective method of applying oil is by dipping, but hand application, when carried out thoroughly, are effective. All parts of the body, including the head and ears must be covered. All hogs in the herd should be treated. The following treatment is also recommended for mange. Shrub two lbs. of fat—eight ounces, raw linseed oil—one gallon. This mixture is heated and applied warm. Pigs should be well washed with soap and warm water to remove as much of the scale as possible. When dry apply the mixture with a stiff brush, leave for ten days, wash off and repeat the treatment.

Treatment for mange should be repeated every ten days until the cure is effective.

While mange is chiefly transmitted by contact with infected animals it is always wise to cleanse and disinfect any premises which have been occupied by mangy swine. The coal tar cresote dips, diluted according to instructions on the container, are suitable for this purpose.

### DIARRHOEA, OR SCOURS

Diarrhoea or scours affecting pigs from one to four weeks old is very common and is responsible for heavy losses in suckling pigs.

There are two types of scours, one which is due to a faulty diet, in which pigs get either too much milk or where the sow's milk appears to cause a digestive disturbance. The other type, usually associated with unsanitary premises, is caused by a bacterial infection.

Symptoms: The symptoms are those of severe diarrhoea, with de-

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## Live Stock Marketings Will Be Needed On A Larger Scale To Supply Meat Requirements

To supply Canadian meat requirements in 1943, live stock marketings will be needed on a scale never before attained. This is true despite the fact that meat production has been stepped up rapidly each year since the outbreak of the war, says R. S. Hamer, Director, Production Service, Dominion Department of Agriculture. For example, total production of meats in 1942 showed an increase of nearly 50 per cent. over the average tonnage produced during the five-year period 1936-40. But even this immense quantity of meat would not supply more than \$5 per cent. of the tonnage which will be required in 1943.

In the meat production program agreed to at the Dominion-Provincial agricultural conference recently held in Ottawa, attention was naturally focused on hogs. The objective of \$6,000,000 hogs marketed through commercial channels in 1942 is a formidable one. It calls for an increase of 28 per cent. over last year's marketings. Unless this number of hogs come forward, difficulty will be found in filling the present United Kingdom bacon contract on time and in the meantime the civilian population will have to continue to refrain from satisfying their appetite for bacon, ham and other pork products.

In the case of other meat products, supplies this year are expected more nearly to balance requirements. This will depend on the degree to which the objective in hog marketings is reached. To any extent that Canadian consumers are unable to purchase pork products, they will undoubtedly draw more heavily on other meat supplies, particularly beef, as was the case during much of last year.

While, in the opinion of the conference, calf marketings may be reduced this year to the point where there may be no exportable surplus, it is estimated that any apparent shortage in veal will be more than offset by a prospective 10 per cent. increase in supplies of mutton and lamb.

The provincial estimates presented, to the conference indicated that cattle marketings in 1943 should exceed those of last year by at least 100,000 head.

This general tendency to carry cattle to older ages and to heavier weights is one which the Dominion Department of Agriculture feels should be actively encouraged. It is the only effective method of securing an important increase in beef tonnage during the next twelve month period.

It is clear that the live stock production program for the coming year is a heavy undertaking for Canadian producers to assume. The surmounting of most of these difficulties will, in the last analysis, depend upon individual resourcefulness—a quality in which farmers as a class are pre-eminent.

There are, however, some compensating factors which should not be lost sight of. Feed supplies of both grain and roughage have never been more abundant than they are this year. There is no danger of profits being wiped out by rising feed costs, and with the Dominion freight assistance, farmers in Eastern Canada will continue to be able to secure any extra supplies of grain they need on a Fort William price basis. Good prices are assured for all the meat-producing animals that can be marketed.

## No Place In Society

British People Have A Very Definite Idea About Crime

One of those things practically beyond the grasping ability of the American mind is the Englishman's disapproval of crime.

Last year in all of London there were only 39 murders, only five of which now are unsolved, and 12 hold-ups in which the bandits were armed. Robbery accompanied by violence occurred only 150 times among the city's 8,000,000 inhabitants—whose general rectitude might be supposed to have been somewhat undermined by stringent war hardships. As a matter of fact, the crime rate for London was lower than in the preceding year.

The English really don't think crime has a place in society, whereas we merely pretend toward that view.—Detroit Free Press.

## To Save Space

Postal Authorities Suggest That Canadians Use Airgraph Mail

Many Canadians who are receiving mail in airgraph form from their friends overseas may not have looked into the possibilities of using this means of communication themselves. Postal authorities at Ottawa say that at present the Airgraph is the speediest means of communication with the United Kingdom and the Middle East.

Due to lack of plane facilities and unfavorable flying weather, many air letters are now coming and going by boat. Airgraphs, because hundreds of them can be transferred to a small roll of film, require a minimum of space aboard a plane, and therefore, receive priority. Next in priority comes the ten-cent Armed Forces air letter.

Airgraphs, obtainable at all post offices, have directions for their use printed on them, as well as a place for the necessary postage, six cents for Armed Services, fifteen cents if going to civilians from civilians and six cents if going from Armed Service personnel to civilians. They may be inserted in an envelope marked "Airgraph", and dropped in a mail box, in which form they go direct to the reproduction centre at Toronto. No postage is required on the envelope. Postal officials advise using long envelopes when possible thereby making fewer folds which results in better reproduction. They can also be handed in unfolded at any post office.

The longest railway tunnel in the western hemisphere is the Cascade in the state of Washington. It is 7.8 miles long.

## Air Freight Costly

President Of United Air Lines Gives Figures To Prove It

President William Allen Patterson of United Air Lines, who can not be suspected of belittling the possibilities of the airplane, stuck the pin of common sense into a gossamer bubble the other day.

To haul 1,500 tons of freight from Chicago to San Francisco, and the same quantity back, would cost \$50,000 by train but \$1,750,000 by plane, says Patterson. A ship can take 13,000 tons round trip between San Francisco and Brisbane for \$120,000; plane would cost \$25,000,000.

Obviously plane cost will come down. But not that much. The train and the ship are going to remain invaluable for decades to come.—NEA Service Editorial.

Send your contribution to the firing line. Buy War Savings certificates.

## Canadian Corvettes Are Writing A Great Naval Tradition For This Country In World Conflict

FROM OTTAWA comes word of the sinking of another U-boat by a Canadian corvette. An unusual description of these remarkable little fighting vessels, and the work they are doing is given in a Royal Canadian Naval Headquarters information statement published in the Kingston Magazine, Chicago, and herewith reproduced:

Corvettes are the storks of Canada's fighting fleet, ugly little beasts, but they deliver the goods.

Comparatively small, not too pleasing to the eyes, they are built for action rather than comfort. Their decks bristle with guns. Life aboard them is tough. They are to the Navy what linemen are to a good football team, rugged plungers who sweep away the interference and clear the path to the goal at the other end.

Here you will find no tidy uniforms. With the call to "action stations" liable at any moment, a corvette's crew shops in its clothes—mostly with one eye and one ear open. As soon as the ship slips harbor you will find officers and men alike putting away their navy blue to don thick woollen sweaters, sheepskin-lined windbreakers and probably a pair of battered fannels.

In high seas these ships bob like a cork. They plunge, roll, twist. But the men who man them are proud of their ships and look upon them with an affection akin to that of their shaggy old bedside back home. They may not be much to look at, but as watch dogs he can't be beat.

These men of Canada's "stork

ships" are doing a magnificent job. Few people realize that they are bearing more than a third of the burden of Atlantic convoy duty—a grim and harrowing job in which there is no surcease from tension.

That they are "delivering the goods" is evident from the recent statement of Navy Minister Angus L. Macdonald that they have safely conveyed 61,000,000 tons of valuable cargo from these shores to those of the Old Country. Thousands of merchant ships have felt the comfort of their "running interference".

In spite of all the ingenious tricks of the enemy, the "stork" pack attacks, the minefields, and night forays, Canada's corvettes have enjoyed 99 per cent. success, by actual figures, in the three years of war to date.

They do not labor under the impression that to patrol the St. Lawrence or the Atlantic seaboard is the best way to defend this country.

Their belief is that the best way to protect Canada is to carry the fight to the enemy. Consequently you will find these ships in virtually every theatre of ocean warfare—in the icy wastes of the North Atlantic; in the warm waters of the Caribbean, where "cakewalk" sailed to glory; in the year-blue Mediterranean, where 17 Canadian corvettes assisted in the protective shield of the new second front; in the fog-bound bays of the Vietnam, where they went to help an American armada in the assault against the Japanese.

They are writing a great naval tradition for a country which is young, as traditions go, and more ships are slipping down the ways to help them in their impressive task.

Stork ships? Sure ugly little beasts, but they deliver the goods.

## Today's Scrap Bag Valuable Asset



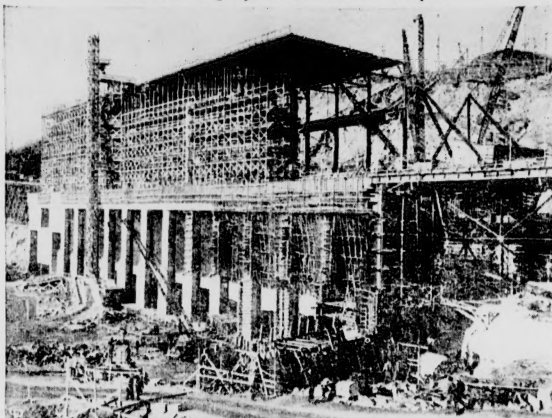
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Cheer up your home with gay lines, appliqued curtains, colorful aprons, and these simple applique motifs you can use such as often as you please. Get out your scrap bag and put this material to good use. Pattern 7458 contains applique pattern pieces of 6 motifs averaging 4 1/2 x 8 inches, directions.

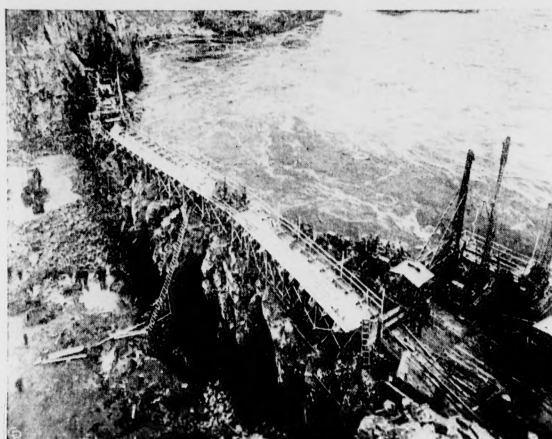
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## Canada's Mighty Construction Project



Here is the almost completed main powerhouse at the Shipshaw hydro-electric power development, built to harness the waters of the lower Saguenay river in northern Quebec. The mighty construction project was carried out in a veil of mystery as one of Canada's most jealously guarded war secrets. This powerhouse will contain 12 generators of 100,000 horsepower each, making this Canada's largest power-producing plant.



One of the most dramatic moments during construction at Shipshaw was the blasting of 18,000 cubic yards of solid rock in a single explosion. While workmen gouged out the tailrace below the main powerhouse at Shipshaw, the solid rock wall shown in picture was left in to hold back the waters of the lower Saguenay. Picture was taken near end of construction.



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## The World of Wheat

by H. G. L. Strange

### THE WHEAT SURPLUS

So much has been written and said about the accumulated wheat surplus, that many have the idea that the surplus is permanent, and that considerable reductions in acreage may have to take place when the war is over.

For myself I have always steadfastly opposed this idea, knowing well from my own history that the people of the world never have had all the bread they wanted to eat in any single year during the 6,000 years of recorded history.

I have also noticed that the many surpluses, which from time to time have appeared in certain producing areas, always disappeared much sooner than people thought possible and so the impression has come upon my mind that perhaps these surpluses are built up by some Great Guiding Power beyond our understanding, in order to offset possible years of poor crops or scarcity that may later come along.

This opinion is somewhat confirmed by recent news from Washington that the United States Government is becoming rather concerned about the disappearance of their own large wheat surplus, and it is expected that the United States may actually be obliged to invite their farmers to make some expansion in their wheat production for this coming year.

Most certainly a surplus of wheat and so of bread, is far better in wartime than a deficiency.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE WORLD OF WHEAT

The Argentine harvest acreage for corn is estimated at only 50 percent of last year's acreage—Turkey imported during 1942 an estimated 12,000 tons of flour, 40,000 tons of barley, 60,000 tons of wheat and 5,000 tons of maize—The U.S.A. has announced a new ceiling price regulation on soybeans which sets a maximum price of \$1.66 a bushel on farmers' sales to country elevators.

U.S.A. farmers may now overplant their wheat allotments if they meet 50 percent of their war crop goal—Canada is planning to relieve farm labour shortage by using Italian war prisoners and Canadian born Japanese—Russian bread grain production will likely be greatly increased this year owing to the recovery of the Caucasus region.

### New Gas Rationing

Providing for a basic "A" ration book of 40 coupons, new regulations governing the use of gasoline in motor vehicles for the year opening April 1 have been announced by the Dominion government.

The new plan abolishes the previous classification of passenger cars according to weight. It eliminates the categories "A", "B" and so on, which gave higher gas allowances to heavier and more costlier automobiles.

On the present valuation of three gallons of gasoline per coupon unit, passenger cars will be allowed 120 gallons per year.

The Ottawa announcement said that those who are eligible and can prove their need of a special category will be allotted a fixed number of extra coupons for their vocational needs during the year.

Here is the procedure under the new plan for car owners: All owners of non-commercial vehicles

must obtain from the post office, A.M.A. or other issuing offices an application for an "AA" ration book. This form, when completed, is to be submitted with a fee of \$1.00 to the nearest issuer of provincial license plates. An "AA" ration book will then be issued.

If the owner of a passenger vehicle, other than a commercial motor cycle, bus, taxicab or drive-yourself car claims he is eligible by reason of occupation, such as his business or profession, for a special category, then he follows this procedure:

He will obtain an application form for the special category. This he will mail to the regional oil control office at Edmonton along with his motor vehicle license receipt.

In order to obtain a commercial category, the applicant must be vouched for by the mayor, police chief, county or municipal clerk, barrister, solicitor or notary public in the community where he lives.

For those eligible for special classes coupons in books labelled "Special", will be issued, and these will contain a maximum of 60 coupons each.

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**Westcott Notes**

The Westcott W.I. met at the home of the president on February 25th. There were eleven members and one visitor present. The question box for Roll Call is very interesting. Not proposals from the social evening collection was \$12.93. This money goes to help swell the institute funds.

The topics taken from the Reader's Digest by Mrs. H. Levagood and Mrs. A. M. Robertson, were on "Baby Lightning" and "Stephen Foster." I am sure we all learned a lot from both papers. We wish to remind members to hand in their autobiographies before the next meeting, which is at Mrs. A. W. Robertson's, also to remember the Roll contest.

**Red Cross Record Speaks for Itself.**

The war is gathering momentum. In step with every move in the struggle the Red Cross goes to help suffering men, women and children. Every dollar you give goes to carry on the great humanitarian work of Red Cross. When you give your donation give as much as you can. Whether its big or small, it can't be TOO MUCH!

**Canadian Red Cross Work Overseas**

20,000,000 articles of supplies shipped overseas for the Armed Forces and suffering civilians. 2,400 cures of hospital and relief goods for Allied Red Cross Societies and evacuee children; 300 ambulances and other motor vehicles; over 2,000,000 food parcels for our men in enemy prison camps.

600 bed Military Hospital in England, built, furnished and equipped at a cost of \$755,000.

36 Mobile Kitchen Units, costing \$111,600, presented to Britain's fire fighters, each equipped to feed 250 workers at a time.

Over 1,000,000 of jam and honey provided for British Children.

Patients in Military Hospitals and the armed forces cheered and helped by Red Cross gifts of over 7,000,000 articles of supplies and comforts. Red Cross "visitors" make sure that no Canadian patient is lonely or his needs unfulfilled.

Sailors' Comforts and Supplies, warm clothing and survivors' damage bags, provided in millions.

Enquiry Bureaus in Britain and Canada organized to obtain information of relatives and friends who are missing, wounded or prisoners of war.

**Aid for British Red Cross.**

\$215,000 contributed to British Red Cross War Relief, besides large quantities of materials and supplies.

14 Utilicon vans donated for medical relief work.

**Aid for Allies**

Aid for Russia includes value of goods and services up to \$2,000,000.

Aid for China—\$250,000.

Supplies and Comforts for Poland, Greece, Belgium, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Fighting French, Norway, Holland.

**Red Cross Work in Canada**

100,000 Prisoners of war Food Parcels packed per week, in 5 Red Cross Packing Depots.

Red Cross Volunteer Blood Donor Service has 37 Clinics and 2 Mobile Units in operation. In 1942 200,000 blood donations were processed — used in bombed areas and all fighting fronts.

Forces in Canada given over 2,000,000 comforts and supplies; also cash grants made towards hostels.

Disaster Relief Organizations at seaboard and other vulnerable points include 47 Emergency Hospital Units, 19 Mobile Surgical Units, and vast quantities of hospital supplies and relief clothing.

**Melvin Notes.**

Three young people, so young and so gay,  
To the Glencoe Carnival sped away.  
"I know you're hearts are light,  
but you'd better stop  
And answer a few questions," said  
the traffic cop.  
"Besides, you seem in a hurry,"  
he said;

"Take it easy, my boy—you're a long time dead."

With spirits subdued they sped on their way  
And arrived in the city at last O.K.  
"We'll leave the bus here for a minute or two";

Said the driver, "It's handy, don't you think so, too?"  
But alas for our friends! Buses  
only could park there,  
And an unwelcome ticket took them to — you know where.

Three young people, their gaiety spent,  
Reached the arena in time for the opening event.

And, really, the skaters were so entertaining  
They felt it made up for all their explaining.

We regret the error made in last week's paper. It was Ruby Jackson who was home on leave from Ottawa.

Mrs. P. Daniels and Neville are spending the week in Calgary.

Mrs. Geo. Youngs was one of the delegates who attended the Red Cross Convention in Calgary on Friday.

We are sorry to hear that Pte. Joe White, who is stationed at Camp Borden, is in the hospital suffering from sinus trouble.

NATIONAL SELECTIVE SERVICE

**MOBILIZATION OF SINGLE MEN**

A RECENT Proclamation issued by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, provides that certain single men must register immediately for the Military Call-up under National Selective Service Mobilization Regulations.

Single Men who must now register are those who were born in any year from 1902 to

1924 inclusive, and who did not previously undergo medical examination under the Military Call-up.

Men actually in the Armed Services are exempt under this order, but men discharged from the Services, not previously medically examined under the Military Call-up, must now register.

"Single Men" referred to, now required to register include any man—

born in any one of the years mentioned, who has not previously been medically examined for the military call-up, and described as follows: "Who was on the 15th day of July, 1940, unmarried or a widower without child or children or has since the said day been divorced or judicially separated or become a widower without child or children."

It is pointed out that any man unmarried at July 15th, 1940, even if married since that date, is still classed as a "single man."

Registration is to be made on forms available with Postmasters, National Selective Service Offices, or Registrars of Mobilization Boards.

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## WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Payments under the wheat acreage reduction plan in the prairie provinces during 1942 totalled \$13,806,886, compared with \$34,567,107 in 1941.

The Duke of Kent's will left an estate of 1,157,315 (approximately \$692,500), with net personality of about \$363,218. It was announced.

The BBC reported that the wife of Gen. Henri Giraud, high commissioner for French North Africa, was arrested recently in France by the Germans.

Brazil joined the United Nations as a full partner against the Axis in a move which places this country at war against Japan as well as Germany and Italy.

A nation-wide savings campaign is known as "Wings for Victory Week," will be launched in Britain this spring. London will open the drive.

Revised figures for the final announcement of population, based on the 1941 census issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, place Canada's population at 11,596,455.

The Australian Returned Soldiers League has asked the government to increase the pay of the fighting forces 40 cents a day, and dependents allowances 50 per cent.

Selective service offices throughout Canada received a total of 1,292,943 applications for employment and were notified of 1,285,404 vacancies in the period April to December, 1942.

### HAD ANSWER READY

A girl met an old flame who had turned her down, and decided to highlight him. "Sorry," she murmured when the hostess introduced him to her. "I didn't get your name."

"I know you didn't," replied the wily friend, "but you certainly tried hard enough."

## Wartime Traffic Brings C.N.R. Promotions



J. F. PRINGLE

The vital part which the Canadian National system is playing in Canada's war effort is graphically shown in a review of the branch of the railway's activities which comes under the direct supervision of Norman B. Walton, whose promotion to the position of executive vice president was recently announced by President R. C. Vaughan.

Mr. Walton, vice-president of operation, maintenance and construction prior to this appointment, will continue to exercise jurisdiction over this department, and perform such other duties as the president may delegate to him.

Under the direction of Mr. Walton are the forces concerned with the operation of trains, the maintenance of track and structures, and the company's motive power and car shops. He also has charge of the company's shipyard operations.

During the year 1942, this force moved more than 72,000,000 tons of munitions of war and other products of industry, agriculture and natural resources. More than 2,500 locomotives and some 80,000 freight cars were in continuous service to handle this traffic. If all C.N.R. freight and passenger equipment, locomotives and work cars could be set out on a single line of track, buffer to buffer, they would reach from Toronto to Minaki, almost 1,100 miles.

Two other important staff appointments resulting from the tremendous increase in wartime traffic were also announced. That of J. F. Pringle to be general manager of the Atlantic

NORMAN B. WALTON

the extensive traffic over the railway's eastern lines. Mr. Appleton formerly carried on the duties both of vice-president and general manager.

Mr. Walton, a native of Palmerston, Ont., has had 42 years' experience in railroading. He advanced from his first job as clerk and stenographer through the dispatcher's office to many supervisory positions which provided him with a wide knowledge of operating and traffic conditions. He has held important posts at Winnipeg, Edmonton, Prince Rupert and other points in western Canada.

Mr. Pringle began his service with the Canadian National Railways in 1919 as an assistant engineer at Montreal. After filling important positions in that city and in Ontario he was appointed chief of transportation for the system in 1941.

Mr. Johnson, commencing as a telegrapher with the Grand Trunk in 1905, has had a railway career which gained him an intimate knowledge of the National System in Ontario and throughout the west where he occupied important supervisory positions for 17 years before his appointment to North Bay in 1936, and to Toronto five years later.



J. P. JOHNSON

Region, and J. P. Johnson to succeed him as chief of transportation for the system. The latter was formerly general superintendent of the Southern Ontario district. Mr. Johnson will relieve W. U. Appleton, vice-president of the region of much of the direct work connected with the railway's eastern lines.

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Money is needed to win this war. Help to win it by savings. Every quarter you get aside to buy War Savings Stamps helps to arm our fighting men and keep them armed.

### MICKIE SAYS—

TH' SMARTIE PANTS WHO LAUGHS WHEN WE GET A LETTER IN TH' WRONG PLACE, DON'T BOTHER US—WHY SHOULD WE ALONE, OUT OF ALL TH' HULL WORLD, BE PERFECT?

### Has Become Popular

Canadian Troops in Britain Have Introduced Eccentric Dance

According to the Manchester Guardian Canadian troops have given one popular item to the programs of London dance halls. It is an eccentric mass dance called "The Canadian Crawl," in which the dancers form a "crescent" by each holding the waist of the dancer in front, and sway about the floor in a "follow my leader" game to the rhythm of "Edmore's Tune." It is generally performed towards the end of the evening.

Send Your Dollars To War.

## Safety Precautions

Accidents In Kitchens Interfere With Morale And Wartime Activities

Canada's kitchens should be safe places in which to work. A check should therefore be made to correct faulty arrangements and, if need be, change working habits for complete safety at all times.

Inflammable materials such as cleaning fluids and polishes should be stored on shelves where the likelihood of spontaneous combustion is slight. The safety matches and be sure to keep them on a high shelf where the children can't reach them.

Garbage cans, buckets, and other small items may cause nasty falls if they are underfoot. They should be placed where they will not be tripped over.

Keep kitchens floors clean of grease or wet spots to avoid slipping.

Many dangerous burns have resulted from carelessness in handling hot fats and boiling water on the stove.

Watch out for chipped glass and china. Sharp knives and forks are also a hazard especially when they are being washed in soapy water.

To make certain that wires and plugs are in good condition, the electrical connections of the iron, toaster, refrigerator and other appliances should be checked.

### Was Satisfied

Man With A Crooked Nose Refused To Have It Changed

You get rather attached to things, even ugly things after you've lived with them all your life and after a while you get so you wouldn't change them for the world—things like your nose for example.

Not even 4100 will make Mr. Bill Phillips of Birmingham change the shape of his hook nose.

His brother-in-law left him 4100 in his will. Then as an after thought apparently the will stated that this amount would be doubled if Mr. Phillips "would have his nose straightened."

But Mr. Phillips, fat and jolly, and the hat of many jokes because of his "hook," says he likes it just as it is and refuses to change it—even for an extra hundred pounds.

The population density in North America is only one-sixth that of Europe.

### LIFE'S LIKE THAT

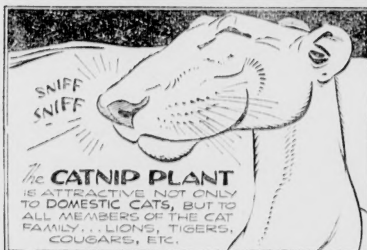
By Fred Reher



"He says he's minding his own business and would we please do the same!"

### THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



ANSWER: In the far north. The name comes from boreal, the North Word.

### REG'LAR FELLERS—Bumper Crop



BY GENE BYRNES



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# SANDS OF HAZARD

— BY —  
J. B. RYAN  
CHAPTER VII.

ANNETTE stirred in Storey's arms, took a deep breath and raised her head. "Where?" she said, with relief. "I have I don't have any more trouble settling out of jail next time."

A sudden exclamation from Storey interrupted her. "The silver!" he ejaculated. "Now that I think of it, the money is not at the caravan! Muhammad has it locked on the baggage-trunk outside the gate!"

He grabbed the camel-stick and slapped the dromedary smartly, fanning the head to break into a run in spite of the narrowness of the street. "These fellows will be after us as quickly as they can turn around!"

Muhammad bin Mula, squatting beside the bound and gagged Lebeu, leaped to his feet when the gate of the dead-maid wall burst open and a camel emerged at full speed and slid to a halt beside him.

Storey leaped to the ground, leaving Annette on the saddle of the sheik's dromedary. "They're after us, Muhammad!" the American exclaimed. "We'll have to abandon the baggage! Get a water-bag and some food!"

The shepherd sprang into action with Storey, slung goat-skin giras and sacks of dates on the saddles of their own beasts. Storey, finishing first, tossed the prison keys on the ground beside Capt. Lebeu. "You men will be here shortly, no doubt, to release us."

The long legs of the domestics carried the three fugitives swiftly across the sand, away from the oasis. The moonless dark blotted out the dull bulk of the town. "Our best bet is to turn east," said Storey. "If we can reach the Libyan border we shall be safe from Lebeu."

For Jack Storey, in liberating Annette Fournier, had made himself outlaw, to be hunted throughout French Africa.

"Only the speed of these camels can save us, monsieur," said Annette. "On caravan route or in the wastes, we leave a trail that can be followed. The desert is not all soft sand. There will be rack and gravel where we can battle pursuit if Lebeu and Ismeddin follow."

"And if you do that," she said, "the work of Andre Ribot cannot be halted. Her eyes fell to the churned sand underfoot. "Monsieur Storey, when I tried to save you from Ribot, I was looking forward to enlisting your aid against this renegade. Will you help me, will you follow the trail of those sheep?"

She waited hopefully, her dark eyes on Storey's face, but when the man made no response, she went on: "Follow this trail at least for one day, monsieur. Andre Ribot may be the enemy of your country as well as mine. If you prevent the delivery of those sheep to the Fascists and Nazis you will be aiding the United States in its war."

Storey found himself nodding. "Very well, mademoiselle," he smiled. "We shall do as you wish. In addition to what you say, I do not take kindly to the thought that Ribot may have obtained sheep from me under false pretenses."

With the climbing of the sun, the day did not turn warm as might have been expected. A breeze, gentle and refreshing, but with a whispering out of the southwest, making the desert morning a thing of delight.

They were many kilometers along the Toucoult trail, far in advance of the point to which Sergeant Jardin had carried his investigations. And yet, the route of Andre Ribot did not change. Twice, since sunrise, they had passed broad, flat-bottomed wadis leading into the wastes of the east, and still the trail of the sheep wound north.

But Annette was not disheartened. "He will turn soon," she prophesied. "Another hour, Monsieur Jacques, will convert my charges against Andre Ribot."

Muhammad bin Mula, riding close enough to over-ear, quitted. "Then it must be within that hour, O Sitt, Lok about you."

The girl, Storey followed the gesture of the Arab's hand. Little puffs like brown smoke, were appearing on the expense of ammunition. "The wind rises, said Muhammad, and the desert is in motion. A sandstorm is brewing."

Storey nodded, and Annette, equally desert-wise, exclaimed: "Hurry! We must find where Ribot leaves the trail before the sand wipes out the tracks of the sheep."

The trail was barely visible through the swirling murk. Ahead, sand was filling the countless tracks of the sheep like drifting brown snow. The American halted the dromedary. "It's no use, Annette," he said, "the sun is full in the wind. We can hardly see the ground now. This storm will last for hours, and when it clears Ribot's trail will be wiped clean as a slate. Well, never be able to tell when he turns off."

The girl nodded miserably. This storm was to the advantage of anyone using to move surreptitiously through the desert.

"Look behind you, said," came the voice of Muhammad.

Storey lowered the cloth of his dromedary and quickly saw what had caught the attention of Muhammad.

Through the sulphurous murk moved phantasm shapes, figures still distinct enough to be recognized as men on camel back.

"Lebeu and his soldiers!" said Storey.

But Muhammad, with his shepherd's eyes, shook his head. "No, said, it is the Kabir of Ismeddin the Lawless. I am disliking the Berber garb."

The camel shifted uneasily under Storey, obeying his instinct to keep moved during a sandstorm. "I don't believe they've seen us yet," Storey had to shout to be heard. "We can lose them as soon as the storm increases."

They pressed on through that blizzard of sand and gravel, following the obliterated trail as though unwary of the pursuers in their rear, until at last Storey headed his dromedary into the choking cloud between two dissolving dunes. Annette made no protest at this abandoning of the trail. The chance of finding Andre Ribot was gone now, and if they persisted in following the route of Toucoult, the Kabir would be on their heels with the lifting of the storm.

Hour after hour the storm raged, hammering beast and rider into an amply bordering on insensibility. Then, all at once the wind died, ending with the suddenness of a stifled fan.

"Well, Muhammad," grinned Storey, "I don't think Lebeu or Ismeddin will find us now."

The shepherd wiped clinging sand from his beard and eyebrows. "May it please Allah that we can find our selves, said he, separating at the unfamiliar terrain visible in the shrouding mist of suspended sand. "I have never been this way before."

"We can only push on to the east," stated Storey. "We have enough water for several days and the camels

can hold out that long. We should find someone who can put us on the track of an oasis."

"This is barren ground, said. There are no people between here and Tripoli. We should turn south, circle Ain Saffa, and take our original route across Libya."

"This is strange country to me, also," said Annette Fournier. "But if we are where I think we are, according to maps I have studied, there is a well some three days' travel ahead of us, Bi Mazoul."

"Bi Mazoul!" exclaimed Muhammad. "The Lonely Well! And what shall it profit us to gain Bi Mazoul? We should only find ourselves stranded in the midst of desolation. From Bi Mazoul only Allah knows where the next water can be found."

The argument of Muhammad prevailed, and the camels moved southward.

After an hour or so Storey ordered a halt when they came upon a hollow filled with scrub and cacti. An hour of daylight remained, but the brushwood would furnish fuel for a fire and the camels could feed.

A meal of ten dates and water was eaten; then Storey began setting up a low camel-stick tent while Muhammad climbed the nearest knoll to keep an eye on the grazing dromedaries. The centre pole of the tent was erected and Annette was helping Storey peg the corners when the brushwood would furnish fuel for a fire and the camels could feed.

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"I'll take funds, plenty of funds, and I haven't any, not now," said John. "But listen!" The banker listened.

"I know cattle," said John, when he had finished. "I'll work—if you'll stake me."

The banker staked him. With a considerable loan from the bank, John bought feeder cattle and fattened them on his beaten-down fields. He also bought the ruined crops of several adjoining farms and turned his stock to graze there. And John won his round with misfortune.

Because of the bank's confidence in John Freeman's integrity and judgment, loss was turned to gain. And not only for him. The neighbours got ready cash for crops which otherwise would have been a total loss.

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## LOCAL & GENERAL

Albert Roper, who was 72 years of age Tuesday, received congratulations over the air.

Mrs. E. G. Ranton went to Calgary Monday to visit with her daughter, Mrs. D. Iversen.

Mrs. Rapin went to Calgary over the weekend to visit with Mrs. Wesenberg and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Falk, of Saanichton, spent the weekend at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burkholder.

Miss Marjorie Burns, who is attending Mount Royal College in Calgary, spent the weekend at her home here.

The Knox United Senior Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Haley on Friday, March 5th at 3 p.m.

The receipts of the Superfluity Shop for the month of February was \$55.20. To keep in business they must have more donations.

L. A. C. Bert Buhr, who graduated this week from the Elementary Flying Training School at High River, is home on a few days leave.

The Didsbury Theatre presents "International Lady" with George Brent and Ilona Massey, this week Thursday, Friday and Saturday. She's dangerous!

Mrs. Margaret Swiggle, formerly a resident of Didsbury, enlisted in the C.W.A.C. last week at Calgary. Previous to her enlistment she was employed as a housewife.

The regular meeting of the W.C.T.U. will be held at the home of Mrs. Fawcett, Thursday, March 11, at 3 p.m. The subject on "Lord's Day Observance" will be in charge of Mrs. M. Dippel.

Miss Kathleen Adshead, who for some time has been employed at the Royal Bank here, having joined the R.C.A.F. Women's Division, left on Monday for No. 7 Manning Pool at Rockcliffe, Ontario.

We are pleased to report that little Irvin Schmidt, who was taken to Edmonton for eye treatment, has received benefit and now can see out of one eye. Further improvement is hoped for.

Mrs. Foote, who has been visiting relatives and friends in the East for four weeks, returned home last Friday. She was fortunate in having on her return journey the company of her son, Sub. Lieut. Delmar Foote, of the Canadian Navy, who was being transferred from the East to the West Coast.

### United Church Notes.

The minister is forming a communion class for the period of Lent, to which all boys and girls from 12 years of age and over are invited. The co-operation of the parents is requested that the young folks may be instructed in the great truths of our religion and the meaning and purpose of our church. The first meeting will be held in the church on Saturday morning March 6, at eleven o'clock.

### Evangelical Church Notes

Pioneer Day will be observed on Sunday morning at 10:30 "The Glory of the Ministry" will be the theme. Pioneer Day is a day of remembrance, a day to honor the ministry of the early days. The offering will go for the support of supernumerary presbyters, minister's widows and orphans.

"Every Christian a Soul-Winner" will be the theme at the 7:30 p.m. service.

Bethel services will be held at 2 p.m.

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## Didsbury Jottings

By A.C.H.

The Didsbury broadcasters went to Calgary Saturday to complete their last three scripts. This time the cast was beautiful as well as talented. The Misses Betty Bowman, Reta Mae Fawcett, Dorothy Buhr, Doreen Gillrie and Pauline Bowman were also in the cast. Listen for them Mondays at 2:15, station CFCH.

Didsbury was also represented at the Red Cross meeting in Calgary. Mrs. McCloy, Mrs. Eckel, Mrs. Geo. Youngs, Messrs. Gooder and Austin were delegates, doubtless arranging things for the important drive now under way.

Mrs. Kendrick entertained at tea on Tuesday afternoon.

We note, with pleasure, that Mrs. Foote has returned from her vacation, looking refreshed and with a most interesting collection of pictures.

The ladies of the L.O.D.E. helped out magnificently with the ration books. Mrs. McFarquhar gave most generously of her time and efforts, so also did Messrs. Clint Reiber, Lynch-Staunton and Gillrie, school teachers, grain men and others.

The little boys of Didsbury are luckier than they know. There wasn't a marble to be bought on 8th avenue, Calgary. Yet, here, any boy worth a nickel can own a dozen marbles, and probably does. However, they had better hang on to those they have, for, apparently marbles are, like bobby pins and white flannellette, war casualties.

Born—February 19, at Calgary, to Mr. and Mrs. David Iversen, (nee Margaret Ranton) a son, David Edward.

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